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Question.

IN Words unnumber'd I abound,
In me Mankind doth take Delight:
In me much learning flill is found,
Yet I can neither read nor write?
Answer

It is a Book printed or written.

Quest.

With learning daily I'm conversant,
And scan the Wisdom of the wisest Men;
With force I pierce the strongest Argument,
Yet knows no more than it had never been?
Answ.

It is a Worm that eats through the Books in a learned Library.

Queft.

Upon the Winds I take my Ways,
Controll me in my Ways who dare:
The brightest Planets I out-gaze,
And build my Empire in the Air?
Answ.

It is an Eagle, who is, for the most Part, upon the Wing, and is the strongest of Birds: who, of all other, gaze against the Sun without Prejudice; for which Reason he is termed the King of Birds.

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Quelt-

I am no Lover, yet a flaming Heart
I have, while Lovers thrink and thake with Cold,
Great Benefits to others I impart,
And am by crowding Visitants extoll'd?
Answ.

It is a Chimney with a good Fire in it in cold Weather; the Fire take for the Heart; and the Vifitants those that come to warm themselves.

I am by Princes convey'd,
In my Embraces Virgins lie;
I have each Night a Maidenhead,
Nor from me will the coyest fly.
Answ.

Is is a Bed whereon we repose.

I am the Terror of Mankind,
My Breath is Flame, and when I roar
I urge my Messenger to find
A Way into the strongest Tower.

Answ.

It is a Cannon charged with Powder and Ball,
the Flame taken for the Breath, and the Bullet for

she Meffenger.

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When I appear in Shroud of White,
And peep through melancholy Shades,
Men pleas'd in me, take much Delight
But ha! full foon my Glory fades.
Antw.

It is a lighted Candle that expels the Dark, but wasting by Degrees, goes out and losses its Light. Quest.

Full rich am I, yet care not who Does take away from me my Wealth:

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Be it by Fraud, I will not fee,

Nor persecute, though it be by Stealth?

It is a Coffer wherein great riches are laid up.

Queft.

The swiftest of all Things am I,
And Strength above all Creatures have;
But ha! alas, I quickly die,

No sooner born but find a Grave.

Anfw.

It is Light'ning, whose force no Creature can resist; which swifty appearing, soon expires.

Quest.

I am a companion for the Queen, Each Morning I am vifited;

The Ladies that would gay be feen, Requires, to fet them off, my Aid.

Anfw.

It is a Looking-glass.

Queft.

Full fair I am, and often gaz'd upon;
Nay, often praised by most curious Wits;
Yet I am filent and without a longue,
Though plac'd as well as my Quality befits.

It is a Lady's Picture plac'd in ber Chamber. Queft.

Though I am of the Airy Sort,
Yet Humbleness in me is read;
For ent'ring of a losty Port,
I ne'er forget to bow my Head.

It is a Goofe, who is observed, whenever she enters a Barn Door, to stoop her head, for tear of hitting is against the Cieling.

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Queft:

Though I in Mourning mostly go,
Yet urzed by furious Hand and Tail,
I like a brazing Comet shew,
Which of the Certiful Blood don't fail.

Which oft to fet in Blood don't fail.
Answ.

It is a Sword in a black Scabbard, which drawn in War, is often coloured with Slaughter, and loses its Shining, which is termed its setting, as in the Case of a Comet when it disappears.

Though I am peac'd a thousand Times,
Yet in me not a Hole is made:

I Notice give when Phabus climbs, To droufy Mortals in their Bed.

It is a Window penetrated by the Light; which by Reason of the Transparency of the Glass passes through it insensibly.

A Thing there is we fometimes fee,
That up and down does swiftly move;
Though on the Ground it dare not be,
Yet Food-to him Earth's Creature prove.

It is a Swift, which never lies on the Ground, by Reason his Wings are so long, he cannot rise again, but carches his Food in the Air, as Bees, Flies, Wusps, &c.

Four Wings I have that fly to feed,
By Means of their laborious Pain;
Those hungry Maws that stand in Need
Of that which in me does remain.

It is a Wind-mill grinding Corn, the Sails being taken for Wings, &c. Queft.

I'm dragg'd along though Dirt and Mire, O'er cragged Stones and Hills about; And yet I neither faint nor tire, But rather weary those that do't?

Anfw.

It is a Coach drawn by Horses, which is not subject to tire, though the Horfes are.

Queft. A Heart I have, yet feel no Heat, Although I burn I do not fweat.

It is Pair of Grates that holds the Fire.

Queft.

I'm fliff and firaight and much in queft, No Man would be without me; and doin w With me they do their bufinels best, Therefore pray do not flout me? Anfw.

It is a Cane, or Walking Stick, which Men, for their Help in going, and other Advantages, crrry. in their Hands.

There's a creature wears a Crown, and but Of dreadful bloody Hue. And combating in many a Pown, Does it with Blood imbrue.

Anfw.

It is a Cock with a bloody-colour'd Comb, who fighting with another theds bis Blood, or loffes biown. Queft,

I have an hundred and two eyes,

Yet never nie but two; Though with the Rest I Men surprize,

As Female, Beanties do;

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It is a Peacock, in whose Tail there are a bundred Spots called Eyes.

Queft. I am but one, and ne'er was more,

Nor never more shall be; Six hundred Years Menhold I live,

I hough Men me rarely fee.

It is a Phoenix, which for the most Part lives is the Air, and is held to live fix hundred Years, when finding Nature to far Spent that the can no longer Subsist, she expires on a Nest of Spices; and out of ber Duft anosber Phoenix arifes.

Quest.

I gave my Love a Thing indeed. Which the at first refus'd: But finding how it did fucceed,

Well pleas'd, she did it use."

Anfw.

It was a rich Neck-lace of Pearl which fitted ber, Go.

Queft.

About me People often flock, And they are wond'rous pleas'd; And though I fuffer many a Knock, . No anger e'er me feiz'd.

Aniw.

It is a Table, about which People gather to Dinmer, and upon other Occasions. Oneft.

Fair as the Morn in painted Coat,

I faw the Stripling stand

Amongst a thousand Youths of Note.

Till in sen'd by a rude Hand,

He thence was borne; when pining ftraighte He feem'd to mourn to Death; And And e'er the Sun had made Retreat, He drooping, dropt to Earth.

Anfw

It was a fair Tulip gasher'd out of a Bed, which foon withered, and being fo, was cast away, &c.

Quest.

I near the Morning Clouds take place,
And tell the World the Shade is gone:
I am one of the winged Race,

Come tell my Name if any can.

Anfw.

It is a Lark, which is up first of all Birds in the Morning, and ever sings in fair Weather to the Setting of the Sun.

More than one Hand i feldom have,
And yet am greatly thought;
Men. Women, Maids do me brave,

And oft at Midnight I am fought.

It is a Chamber-pot with one bandle.

State processor of Quel, do at be from on it !

I have a Stomach very hot,
A mouth and a wide Throat I've got,
Yet no Digestion I can have:
Nor long in me it does remain;
For why, I cast up all again.

Anfw

It is an Oven, into which Pyes, &c. are put, and when baken they are taken out again.

A hundred Elbows I do make,
And shoulders from me on each Side,

My Journey to my faithful Bride.

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His a River which runs through many Countries, with strange Windings or Doublings till it falls into the Sea.

Quest.

I labout in a Hurry to prepare

My Master many dainty Bits of Meat;

And though I am conversant with good Chear,

And Teeth have many, yet I never eat.

Anfw.

It is a Jackthat turns about the Spit, and consequently the Meat; the Teeth are those of the Wheels, upon which she turns.

Queft.

To Monarchs we Supporters are,

That of great Kingdoms Iway: Those then their Empire weigh, we bear,

And without Words obey.

Anfw.

A Pair of Shoes, which are as well used by Princes as Subjects.

Queft.

I tame the Head-strong, make the stubborn yield; And after struggling long, I gain the Field.

Anfw

It is a Bridle upon the Head of a restive Horse well managed by a skilful Rider.

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My Body's round, my Belly's deep

I have no head at all;

Yet much Provision I do keep, For which Men often call.

Anfw.

It is a Pewter Dilb, the Brim's accounted the Out-part of the Body and the Bowel the Belly, in which the Meat is placed, &c. Quest,

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I play with fire, yet take no harm,
Thousands are cold whilft I am warm;
I keep my post lest I am sent
From thence to rouse the Element.

Anfw.

It is a fire fork, the Element is the fire firred

Quest.

Of Boreas's breed men say I am,

However to man I owe my birth;

I roar, 'tis true, smidst the flame,

And give new Light by Lofs of breath?

It is a pair of Bellows, the wind or breath of which revives the fire.

Queft.

Divided from my brother now,
I am companion for mankind;
I that but lately stood for show,
Do not express my master's mind.
Answ.

It is an Ox's born made into a Hunting-born, &c. By the brother is means the other born that grew with it; and the expressing of the Mind, by founding of it.

Queft.

I faw a briffled fquadron stand,
Imbattled in the field;
Gainst whom two knights, fent by command,

And to their camps they captive led, Say then by whom this riddle's read.

The army was a field of standing corn, and the Rnights two respets that cut it down, and carried in into a Barn. Quest.

Queft.

Though long and lean, I am in use,
Where controversies do arise:
Then presently Men me produce,
Who shews them where the Error lies.

Anfw.

It is a measuring yard, by which right is done on all sides.

Queft.

First in the morning I am brought,
To cleanliness I am a friend;
By those that are, I am sought,
But those that are not don't me mind.
Answ.

It is a bafan to wash in.

Quest.

Five ribs I have, a breech, and head,
Four feet, and likewife a tail,
In Imoke and fire I make my bed,
And to do fervice never fail.

Answ.

It is a Gridiron.

Queft.

Although I once was mounted high,
Yet know you I am humble found;
Behind the door I chuse to lie,
And drudge all day upon the ground.

Antw.

It is a Broom which was once part of a high

Quest.

The Rainbow knows no more than I,
Although my lot is far beneath the sky;
Nor am I gaz'd at so perhaps; but yet
I take up the best rooms, and still am neat.

Aufw.

Is is a Turkey-work Carpes of various Colours Quest.

In green and yellow Garments I appear,
Seeming with a thousand younglings at a time:
And am admir'd by many, though I rear

My head at first from base and putrid slime.

Aniw.

It is a Pumkin, whose Coat is commonly yellow and green; the young Uxes are the feeds, and bath its growth from the Dunghill.

Quest.

In a green Coat a thing is clad,
Wing'd for flight not seldom made;
Small, yet can taper well, and sing,
Pray tell me what may be this thing.

Anfw.

It a Grashopper

Queft.

I have a tail and body large,
But never a head nor hand:
I carry a fool's name; my charge

Is to make level wooden lawn-

Anfw.

It is a Taylor's Goofe, wherewith the feams are preffed.

A moving monster once I faw,
With rowling feet and belly wide;

From which his mout a flood did draw, Which in the air on winds did ride.

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It is an Engine Spouting water to quench fire. Onest.

In many girdles: I am bound, My Mittres less won't trust,

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Tho' in good Truth I'm very found, Lest I in Pieces burst.

Anfw.

Is is a Tub bound with Hoops.

Quest.

I saw a Thing that had no Life, With a mighty Weight opprest, Runmany a Mile as if in Strife, For who should do it best:

And though encounter'd by those Foes
That Countries have undone.

It baffi'd all that did oppose,
Till it the Race had won.

It was a Ship in a Storm, encounter'd by Lightening, Wind, and Waves, and gets safe to Harbour.

Quest

Though I am thin, yet much in Use,
And though I never eat,
Tis lest still in my Power to chuse,
For none will grudge me Meat.

Anfw.

It is a Knife much in Use at great Feasts. Quest.

There is a I hing that lives and moves, And never eats at all:

Yet it a useful Creature proves, And is not very imall:

Can change its Colour when it will, To Red, green, Blue, or White,

And yet be the same Creature still, As well by Day as Night.

Anfw

It is a little Beaft in India, call'd a Camelion, never seen to cat, but thought to live upon the Dew that that falls in those Parts; and by its Motion its Colours continually vary or change.

Queft.

My Labour is within the Earth,
Although by it I nothing gain:
I'm worn out to give new Birth,
To whom does feeming dead remain.

Anfw.

It is a Plow-share that digs up the Ground, in order to sow Corn.

Queft.

Some People lately striving were,
Which made me ask the Cause;
When one of them did soon declare,
With wide and open Jaws,
They had a present Table towned.

They had a pretty Table found, On one Side it had a Face,

On t'other Lions did abound,

Which Lute and Harp did grace.

It is a Piece of Money with the King's Effigy

on the one Side, and his Arms on the other.

A Thing there is that has a Back,

With Ribs a mighty Show,

But Belly, Head, and Tail doth lack, Yet few without it go.

Anfw.

It is a Horn Comb, the Teeth being taken for Ribs, and the upper Part for the Back.

When it is light I scarcely can be seen;
But when the darker Shades around are spread,
I bear the Colour of Night's Silver Green,

And am to fome a Wonder and a Dread

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It is a Glow-worm, that is bardly to be seen in the Day, but in the Night appears like a bright Coal of Fire, amongst Grass, Bushes, or Brakes, so the Amazement of Travellers.

Oneft.

I am produc'd in little Space,
And in as fhort a time I die:
Between my Birth and Death Men place
A Night and Day, fo frail am I.

Anfw.

It is a Mushroom, that commonly comes up in a Night, and before the next Evening, fades and falls to the Ground.

My Parents old, upon my Back, I carry them from Place to Place; And joyfully fustain my Pack, Though I am of the winged Race:

Anfw

It is a Stork, who of all Birds is most tender to those who produce them; for their Parents grown old, they carry them on their Backs, and provide them Food.

Queft.

With bitter I am compais'd around,
And Wood immures me next to that,
Which being patt, my Sweets are found;
Pray tell me who I am, and what.

Anfw.

It is a Walnut, first inclosed in a bitter green Rhind, then in a wooden Shell; the Sweet signifying the Lernel.

Quest.

I saw a Bulwark by strong Foes beset,

Prepar'd with Weapons in their Hands to storm;
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Who to the Inworks did no sooner get, But ruin'd straight, the Bulwark lost its Form. Answ.

The Bulwark was a Goofe Pye, and the Assailants the Guelts, who with their Knives soon sut it in Pieces, and left it without form.

Upon a Hill a Man 1 'spy'd,
Who scarcely Raiment had;
At him some People did deride,

Who by his Care were clad:

And furthermore I understood, That were it not for fuch.

The Rich might want both Cloaths and Food, And that you'll fay is much.

Anfw.

It was a Shepherd watching bis 1 lock of Sheep.

When summer burns the World, I still am green, When Winter rages most, the like I'm seen; Thunder and Light'ning always pass me by, Nor Fear I all the Threatings of the Sky.

Aufw.

It is a Bay Tree, always green; which as Historians hold, is never burt by Storms, Thunder, Lightning, &c.

Of all Things I am given most to change,
Yet never leave my Post, although I range;
On losty Pinnacles I am a Scout,
To mark the Winds, and find their Motions out.
Answ.

It is a Weather Cock, or Vane on a Church Steple, &c, that is ever changing and turning about with the Wind.

Queff.

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We dwelt in humble Cottages of Straw,
And labour much, but others reap the Gain;
From us a World of Sweet our Masters draw,
Yet poorly do reward us for our Pain.

Anfw.

A Stock of Bees lodging in Straw-bives, labouring for Honey, which their Owners take from them.

Ouest.

I am but small, no Man nor Beast am I, And yet I make the Fortest King to sty: He that in Blood and Slaughter takes delight, From his lov'd Prey with my shrill. Voice I fright.

It is a Cock, who with his Crowing scars the Lion, and makes him fly from him, which no other can do.

Queft.

What I beheld in Glory bright, Rejoic'd my Heart, and pleas'd my Sight,

'Twas beautiful and fair; It passed through the open Street, Beside myself some Thousands see't,

The Royal Crown upon his Majefty's Head.

While I, do flourish here on Earth,
By me my young ones nourish'd are a. I have a Thousand at a Birth,

And yet I take no Thought or Care.

Anfw.

A Goofe-berry Bufb.

Quest.

I have an Head, but ne'er an Eye, I have no Legs, but Wings to fly;

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When of an Errand I am fent, cleave the very Element.

Anfw.

A Sculler's Boat; the Water is the Element, the Sculls are the Wings,

Queft.

What though I have a noisome Breath,
Yet many a one will me commend;
I am beloved after Death,
And serviceable to my Friend:
Delightful both to great and small,
Now tell me what my Name they call.

This is Tobacco, after cut and dried, for dead, becometh serviceable.

Quest.

Once hairy Center did transgress.

Whose Dame both powerful and fierce,
Began a fearful Fray;

Though hairy Center took Delight,
To do this Thing both fair and right,
By Chance on a Monday.

Anfw.

An old Woman that whipt her Cat for catching of two Mice on Monday, it being the old Woman's Wedding any

When firk I in this World was feen, I had no Sign of any Senfe;

My Mother the was poor and mean, Nor worth then passing Eighteen pence:

Then I another Mother had,

By whom I first became alive,

By her I first was likewise clad,

And now I for a Living strive.

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A Chicken from an Hen, layed by one Hen, and basched by another.

Quest.

While I did live I Food did give,
Which many one did daily eat;
Now being dead, you fee they tread
Me under Feet about the Street?
Answ.

A Cow, who while she lived gave Milk for Food, but being dead, the Hide makes Leather, and the Leather makes Shoes, which we tread under Feet. Quest.

And through the fown do take my Flight,
And through the Fields and Meadows green,
And whether it be Day of Night,
I neither am, nor can be feen.
Anfw.

The Wind.

Protnotion lately was bellow'd
Upon a Person mean and small,
Then many Presents to him flow'd,
Yet he return'd no Thanks at all;
But yet their Hands were ready still,
To give him with a free Good-will.
Answ.

A Man petted in the Pillory.

I did see a Fight the other Day,
A damsel did begin the Fray:
She with her daily Friend did meet,
Then standing in the open Street;
She gave such hard and sturdy Blows,
He bled ten Gallons at the Nose;

Stout Warted Men Yet neither feem'd to faint mor fall, Nor gave her no abule at all.

Aníw.

A Pump.

Queft. Full forty Years I once did live. And offentimes I Alms did give; Yet all that time I did not roam. So much as half a mile from Home: But I liv'd free from Care and Strite. Till at the last I lost my Life; And fince my death it will appear, I travel now both far and near. Anfw.

It is an old tree, who while he lived afforded Acorns to feed Swine, but after death being buils into a Ship, failed from A ation to Nation.

Queft.

Ralph. Trandle was a jully Blade, Of mighty Conrage, flour and free: And many a worthy Match he made,

At once to fight with three times three

I'll tell you how the Coast he cleans, He gets himself within a Throng,

And kicks and cuffs them by the Ears.

And fairly lays them all along: Though he be fhort, and they be tall. As often fairly throws them all.

Anfw.

A Bowl with Nine Pins. Queft.

I lived though I had no Lands; I took no Thought nor Care at all; I had a House not built with Hands, But mind at last what did befal:

Stout-

Stout-hearted Men with naked Knives,
Beset my House with all their Crew,
If I had ne'er so many Lives,
I must be slain and earen too.
Answ.

An Oyster, while be lives in the Sea, the Shell betokeneth the House, but at last is open'd with a Knife.

My Living is within the Wood,
I am at any one's Command;
I often do more hart than Good,
If once I get the upper Hand;

I never fear Companion's Frown,

Stout Things I often Times have done; Brave Soldiers I can fell them down,

I never fear their Sword por Gun.

Anfw.

It is Strong Beer; the Barrel is the Wood, but when it gets in Mens Head; it often fells them down.

Quest

As Red and Green lay both in Sight,
Two hairy Ravens then did run,
Who then in Fury sell to fight,
To try who had the Wager won;
But Red and Green they grinded small,
For they had no Remorse at all.

Anfw.

Two Sows ran a Race for a Bunch of Carrots, tho? one got it by Running, the other obtain'd it by Eighting.

I have two Eyes that shineth bright,
Yet I have neither Legs nor Feet;
But vet I have a Month to bite,
But though I have, I never eat,
My Meat my Master makes his Prey,
'I is good a ainst a Rainy-day?

Answ

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A Taylor's Sheers; the Holes betokeneth Eyes; the Sheers bites many a Customer, of which the Taylor makes his Prey.

There is a Steeple standing fair,
'I was built upon the Rocks of Care;
I herein a Noise both fierce and fell,
Tho' there was neither Clock nor Bell.

Anfw.

An old Woman scolding in a bigh-crown'd Hat.

A Bird that flies to foreign Parts,
Affisted by her lovely Wings,
And in her Belly many Hearts,
Nay, I will tell you stranger Things;
When she is not in Haste she rides,
And then she mends her Pace anon,

Wth fire flying from her Sides, Expound this Riddle if you can.

Anfw.

It is a Ship, her Sail, are the Wings, the Seamens Hearts are those many which are within her; and when the is not in Haste, she rides at an Anchor, and at other Times the fireth off her Guns, which betokeneth Fire from her Sides.

At once I am in France and Spain,
And likewise many Nations more;
While I in all my Glory reign,
Too ugh I am one, I am no more.

Anfw.

The Sun.

I see the Birds all in a Cage, Each Bird has but one single Wing,

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They were an hundred Years of Age,
And yet they'd fly and sweetly sings.
Then Wonder did my Mind possess,

When I beheld their Age and Strength, Besides, as near as I can gness,

Their Talts were thirty Feet in Length.

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A Ring of Bells.

Queft.

My Altitude high, My Body's Four-fquare; My feet in the Grave. My Head in the Air: My Eyes in my Side, Five Tongues in my Womb, Thirteen Heads on my Body. Four Images alone. I can direct you where The Winds does flay; I tune God's Precepts Twice a Day. I am heard where I am not, And feen where I be not. Tell me this true, And see that you miss not?

Anfw.

It is St Nicholas's Church Steeple when it was first built. 10 JU 52.

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